



June 30, 2021

The Honorable Debra K. Lesko
1214 Longworth, House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Bradley S. Schneider
300 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: H.R. 4214, The Tax Deadline Simplification Act

Dear Congresswoman Lesko and Congressman Schneider:

The American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) commends your efforts to simplify the quarterly installments for estimated income tax payments by individuals. Specifically, we support changing the due dates for the second and third quarter estimated federal income tax payments to have all quarterly payments due 15 days after the end of the quarter.

Currently, quarterly estimated tax payments for individuals (including small business owners) are due April 15, June 15, September 15 and January 15. The spacing between these dates does not tie to normal quarters which can be confusing to self-employed individuals (and others) and even challenging to compute and timely pay.

Changing the June 15 date to July 15 and the September date to October 15 would consistently schedule the dates to three months apart and tie to the normal quarter date (15 days after the quarter end) making it easier for taxpayers to meet their tax obligations in a timely matter.

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We appreciate your consideration of these comments and welcome the opportunity to discuss these issues further. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Melanie Lauridsen, Senior Manager – AICPA Tax Policy & Advocacy, at (202) 434-9235 or Melanie.Lauridsen@aicpa-cima.com; or me at (601) 326-7119 or JanLewis@HaddoxReid.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jan Lewis", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

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Chair, AICPA Tax Executive Committee